

Resolution 17-1002.02

**Resolution of the Township of Long Beach, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey,
Supporting the Mid-Atlantic Regional Ocean Action Plan**

WHEREAS, healthy ocean eco-systems and sustainable ocean uses are a benefit to quality of life for residents of New Jersey by ensuring the ocean's environmental and economic attributes continue to provide for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Township strives to support actions which protect tourism, assure clean and healthy water, and improve the working and living environments of the ocean as steps to building a collaborative and respectful ocean user community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Township hereby acknowledges that our residents desire a healthy, thriving, and sustainable future for themselves, future generations, and our ocean; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Township wishes to support a Mid-Atlantic Regional Ocean Action Plan (OAP) which benefits our residents and our ocean now and far into the future by exploring and adopting collaborative and coordinated federal, state and local government practices; and

WHEREAS, by supporting the implementation of a strong Mid-Atlantic Regional OAP Long Beach Township is enabling the process to allow community members and additional stakeholders the opportunity to engage further and have their voices heard regarding planning for sustainable uses and healthy ocean ecosystem practices; and

WHEREAS, as elected representatives of Long Beach Township, we have a significant responsibility to provide leadership which will seek to protect our coastal economy and healthy ocean ecosystems to strengthen our New Jersey coast and ocean; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Long Beach wishes to support the Mid-Atlantic Regional OAP on matters of a healthy ocean ecosystem and sustainable uses, the Township Commissioners wish to pursue public and private actions that will lead to the continuation of a strong, protective plan.

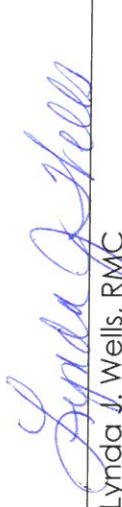
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Commissioners request that Congressman Thomas MacArthur extend the Township's support on all federal and/or state issues involving the planning process on behalf of Long Beach Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by Township Commissioners of the Township of Long Beach that we do hereby send notice to Congressman Thomas MacArthur, and copy to the Mid-Atlantic Regional Planning Body, State of NJ RPB member NJDEP to acknowledge Long Beach Township's support for the continuation of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Ocean Action Plan and process.

PASSED ON: October 2, 2017

CERTIFICATION

I, **LYNDA J. WELLS**, Municipal Clerk for the Township of Long Beach do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution 17-1002.02 was duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held Monday, October 2, 2017.


Lynda J. Wells, RMC
Municipal Clerk